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# SPEAKING OF PICTURES . . .

. . . SAILORS TOOK ALL THESE



**FAVORITE SHOT**

Stowed in every sailor's locker is a set of precious photographs—of himself, his shipmates, family, girls, places and things. They tell the cheerful history of his private life as faithfully as his service record lists the cold facts of his naval career. Shown here is a representative sample, culled from a bumper crop that was harvested by LIFE's request, posted in ships and shore stations.

The sailor's own pictures show him as the gregarious extravert who loves life ashore and ashore and survives the regimen of his career with his sense of humor intact. High on his list of favorites are gag pictures, running from sailor-hatted bulldogs to the square-rigged destroyer shown below. Ashore he is an easy-going tourist, unencumbered by guidebooks. With his shipmates he explores the town, gets photographed against local landmarks. With friendly local girls he makes a full evening of the simple gaiety a town affords, in dance halls, playlands, bars and ice-cream parlors. He saves his pictures, not to pore over lonesomely at sea but to show on leave to folks at home.



**Trick perspective** makes standard gag picture showing big holes in sailor's shoe soles.



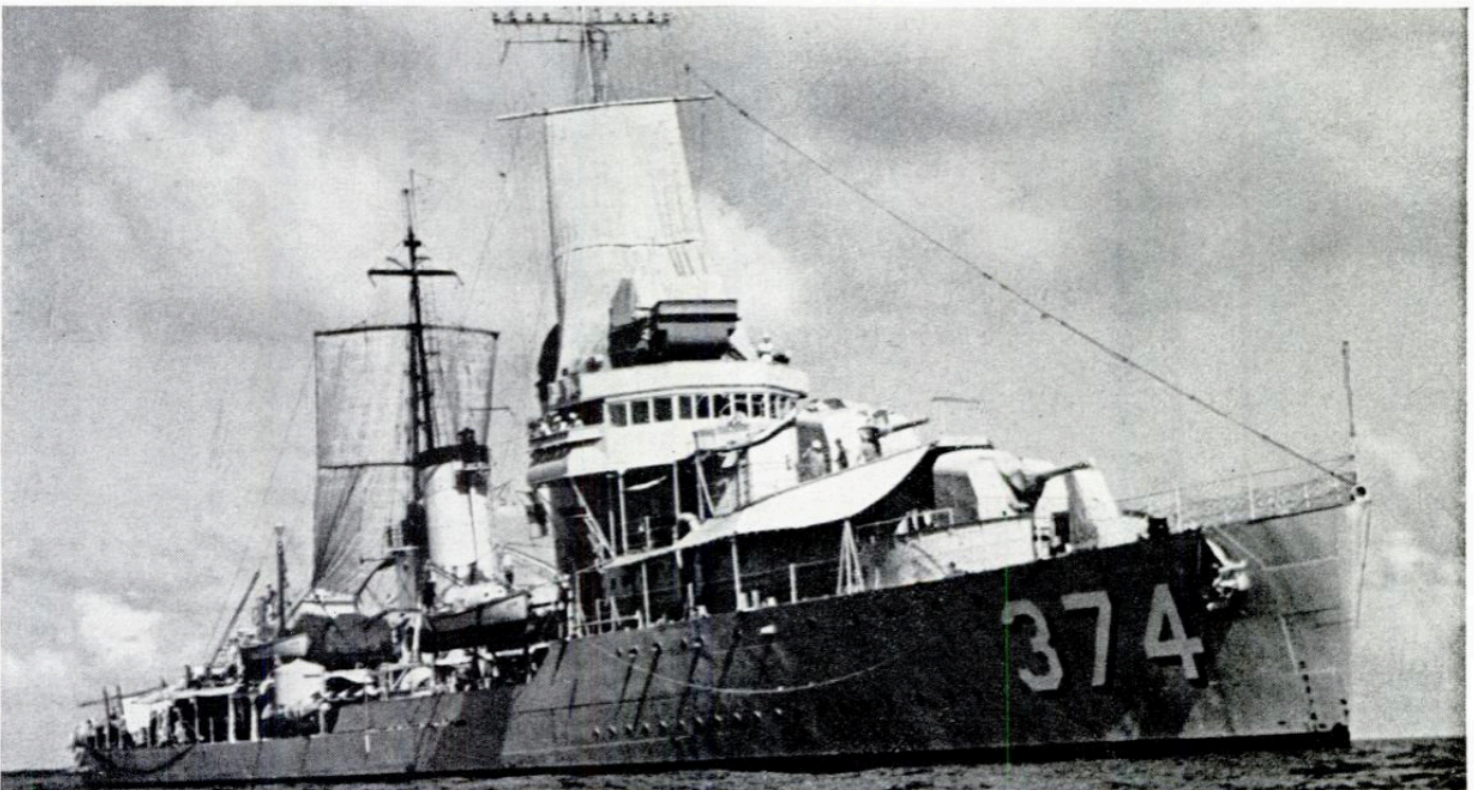
**Colonial stocks**, as a local landmark, prove this sailor visited historic Williamsburg, Va.



**Crossing-the-line** ceremony inducts Pollywog into fraternity of Shellbacks with a vigorous ablution in the "pool of purity." Party is welcome break in monotony of tropic sea.



**A helping hand** is given a construction gang by sailors at Portsmouth, Va. Never bored in brief exposures to shore life, sailors are amused by seriousness with which civilians take it.



**HOISTING OF IMPROVISED SAILS ON A DESTROYER'S MASTS HELPED RELIEVE MONOTONY OF DULL ESCORT ASSIGNMENT. IN LIGHT BREEZE SHIP MADE ABOUT THREE KNOTS**

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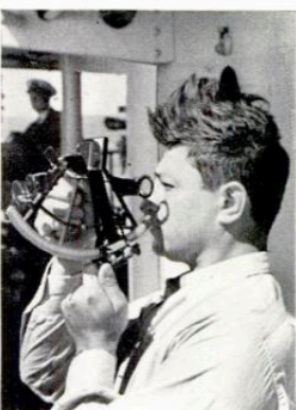


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# LIFE'S PICTURES



Carl Mydans, LIFE's photo-reporter who roamed battlefields in Finland and France from September 1939 to June 1940, now turns his lens on the U. S. Navy (see pp. 23-97). During one month with the Fleet in the Pacific, Mydans took pictures aboard a battleship, a cruiser, a destroyer, a submarine, a hospital ship, a repair ship. Mydans also spent some time in the brig of the U. S. S. *Indianapolis*. Early one morning he had climbed onto a platform over the Admiral's bridge, when a gust of wind blew sunshade and filter from his Zeiss Super-Ikonta camera. They fell near Vice Admiral Adolphus Andrews, commander of the Scouting Force. After lunch Mydans was served with a paper charging him with "willfully, maliciously and without justifiable cause" assaulting and attempting to strike with a dangerous weapon of German manufacture one Adolphus Andrews, Vice Admiral. With mock solemnity he was taken to the brig and locked up. Few moments later the entire wardroom, from executive officer down, descended and peered through the grille at Prisoner Mydans. When each had enjoyed a good laugh, Mydans was set free.

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# This Pop was once "too tired"!



1. He was typical of thousands of fathers. Busy. Lots of responsibilities. Too dog tired to enjoy the children and wife he was working for. What turned him into this new man with extra endurance for the end of the day? Simply a new, easy way of drinking a food that fights fatigue!

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\*In the 23 different occupational groups tested were included business executives, telephone operators, salesmen, radio actresses, truck drivers.



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